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Amphibious base on list of toxic cleanup sites

The Environmental Protection Agency, as expected, has placed Little Creek Naval Amphibious Base on the national Superfund list of toxic cleanup sites.

The move means the Navy must work with the EPA under deadlines in purging five contaminated areas on the base, located on the Chesapeake Bay in Norfolk and Virginia Beach.

The areas in question include old landfills, a dry cleaning operation and a plating shop, according to EPA and Navy officials.

EPA first proposed Little Creek for Superfund listing last summer; it announced its final decision this week.

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